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PERSECUTION OF REV. T. J. TOWNSEND UNREASONABLE.

Rev. T. J. Townsend, pastor of Spruce Street Baptist Church, who was arrested here last week and taken to Memphis on a charge filed against him there several months ago for carrying an unlawful weapon, has been given an unreasonable fine and penal sentence. Courts of justice are not criticised when they fulfil the end for which they were created, that of meting out reward or punishment commensurate with justice; but when they degenerate to the level of persecution, they cease to fulfill their mission.

Rev. Dr. Townsend, some time ago, in that very town in which he is now imprisoned, said some very complimentary things of the women of his race without disparagement of the women of any other race. His utterances, it is said, were distorted by some one and reported to the white people, who took umbrage at what the Rev. Dr. Townsend said. Is it not possible that the feeling engendered then is not at the bottom of the extent-of-the-law sentence imposed upon him now?

COLORED COOKS BUNCOED.

Many colored cooks throughout the city have been successfully buncoed by two white confidence men (thieves), who claimed that they were representatives of "The National Association of

Negro House Maids and Cooks." The two "slick ducks" glibly told their colored victims what great benefits there were to be derived from membership in the association organized for their protection and welfare. How long will it be before colored men and women will cease to be the recipients of slick white men's "lemons?"

WEST NASHVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The West Nashville District Conference met in Stone's Chapel M. E. Church, Cumberland, Tenn., July 30, 1907. The meeting began at 11 a. m. Rev. S. M. Utley, presiding. Wm. T. C. Travis was elected Secretary; U. L. Nelson and W. D. Pettus, Assistant Secretary; Wm. Boon was appointed by the Conference to send copies to the Nashville papers, and J. Reinsover to the S. W. Christian Advocate.

After the organization of the Conference the house proceeded at once to business. The reports of the Presiding Elder and ministers of the body were very encouraging. The welcome address by Rev. Jesse Standfield was responded to by Rev. A. L. Nelson, after which Rev. S. J. Boon preached the introductory sermon. The program for the occasion was carried out to the letter. An eloquent sermon was delivered by Dr. E. W. S. Hammond, of Walden University. He spoke in the highest terms of the school and the great good that is being accomplished by it. A call was

was taken for the university. Quite a number of ministers of the A. M. E. Church was introduced to the Conference, some of whom made appropriate remarks. Three local preachers were recommended to the Annual Conference for admission to trial. The sum of \$26.14 was taken up during the session.

Miss Sarah Brown, of the Spruce Street Baptist Church, visited the Conference and received a hearty welcome when introduced to the members. The next Conference will meet at Seay's Chapel, South Nashville.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

An enjoyable event of the week was a birthday party given last Thursday evening, August 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Dabney, of Tenth avenue, South, in honor of their daughter, Alberta.

Dancing was the feature of the evening. Music was rendered by Misses Minnie Townsend, Mamie Johnson and others. Ices and cake were served at a late hour. The guests were as follows: Misses Alberta Jordan, Maggie Payner, Mattie Ewing, Lula Goodloe, Edna McAdoo, Mamie Johnson, Mary McGee, Ruth Towles, Minie Townsend, Katie Wims, Jennie Goodloe, Messrs. Clarence L. Goodman, William H. Dabney, John W. Demoss, Willie Hughes, Silas Ferguson, Edward Anderson, John W. Stephenson, Edward Dillahunt, Robert Groves, James Fitzgerald, and Caleb Whitney. A number of handsome presents were received by the honoree.

BRILLIANT PARTY.

The home of Mrs. Alice Smith, 1024 Ament street, was the scene of a beautiful social party on Monday evening, given by a club of young ladies. Miss Myrtle Brown, assisted by Mr. Thomas Cotton, presided at the piano. Dancing was the feature of the evening. A menu of three courses was served. Those present were Misses Evelena Davis, Lucile Cotton, Annie M. Gug, Cynthia Carr, Emma McGavock, Annie McGavock, Mattie Stokes, Myrtle Carr, Messrs. Ewell Cotton, Dorsey Thompson, Dexter McGee, Willie Thornton, Ernest Stokes, Rogers Rhodes, Willie Carr, Clarence Maxwell, Curley Wisner and Samuel Carr.

DEATH OF LITTLE HERBERT PORTER.

Herbert Porter, after a long spell of sickness, died Monday night, August 5, at his home, No. 718 Smiley street. The funeral services were held at Payne Chapel A. M. E. Church on Wednesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, and was attended by many friends and acquaintances, including a number of his schoolmates. The little boy was a dutiful Christian.

"RASTUS."

"Rastus," a favorite pet dog of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thorne, of Tremont avenue, was poisoned by some rascally individual some time Wednesday. "Rastus" was an intelligent animal, and had many friends among the acquaintances of his owners. Mrs. Thorne is nearly prostrated over the sad passing away of "Rastus."

MOODY-WRIGHT.

On Wednesday night, July 31, was seen one of the prettiest home weddings, when Mrs. Millie Wright gave in matrimony her niece, Miss Sallie A. Smith, to Mr. John F. Moody. At 8:45 Mrs. Emma Bostic played a beautiful wedding march. Miss Anna Matthews served as bridesmaid and Miss Mattie Ezell as maid of honor. Mr. Samuel White was to act as best man, but was prevented by an accident. Many valuable presents were received, a large number being cut glass and silver. Rev. Wm. Flagg officiated. Miss Smith was formerly a student of Fisk University.

SOCIAL.

Several young ladies gave a social at the home of Miss Lula Grant on Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Cage, of Oklahoma City. The features of the evening were cards and dancing. Dainty cakes and ices were served. Those present were Misses Georgia Buford, — Merry, — Wilson, Lula Grant, Alberta and Maggie Stubbs, Laura Coleman, Lucy Cage, Susie L. Dobson, J. Porterfield, Georgia Winstead, Mayme Brown, L. Stringer, Messrs. John Sims, A. Porter, J. Cockrill, L. Bowling, — Williams, Robert Dobson, Perry Barnes, John Franklin, Ernest Cole, William Boger, — Williams and others.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

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